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OUTDOOR RAILWAY AGENCIES FOR BOOKING OF PARCELS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the norms prescribed for appointing Outdoor Railway Agencies for booking of parcels and luggage under the liberalised schemes; and

(b) the commission and the service charges paid by the Railway to these agents under the said scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) The contracts for working of Out Agencies and City Booking Agencies are awarded by inviting open tenders. The contract is awarded to the lowest satisfactory tenderer. Other requisites like financial soundness, experience, availability of godowns, trucks, buses, trained manpower etc. being equal, preference is given to Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes tenderer.

(b) The rate of commission or service charge for road bridging of parcels and luggage from Out Agencies/ City Booking Agencies to rail head is quoted by the tenderer while submitting their tenders.